

# Danbury, NH



## Community Contact

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## Municipal Office Hours

Selectmen: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 8 am - 4 pm,  
Wednesday, 12:30 pm - 6 pm; Town Clerk, Tax Collector:  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 9 am - 5 pm, Thursday,  
9 am - 7 pm, third Saturday, 9 am - 12 noon

## County

Merrimack

## Labor Market Area

New London, NH LMA

## Tourism Region

Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee

## Planning Commission

Lakes Region

## Regional Development

Capital Regional Development Council

## Election Districts

### US Congress

District 2

### Executive Council

District 1

### State Senate

District 2

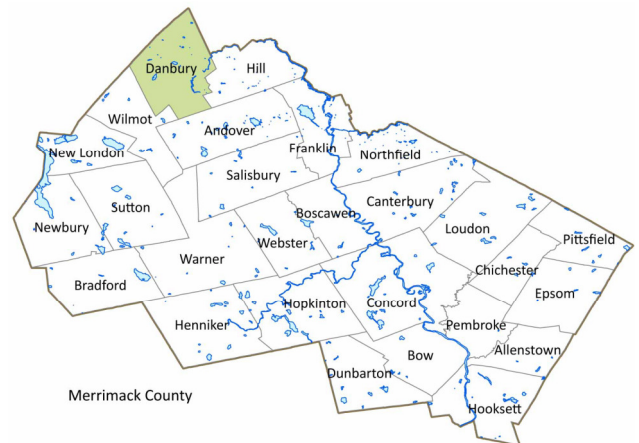
### State Representative

Merrimack County Districts 1, 25

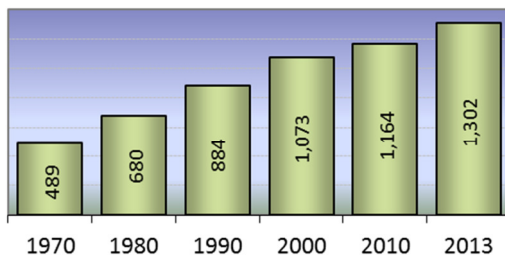
**Incorporated:** 1795

**Origin:** This town was not an original colonial grant, but was formed from part of Alexandria to the north. In 1794, a group of Alexandria residents petitioned the state legislature to separate Alexandria into two towns due to the inconvenience of having a mountain divide the town, making it difficult for all residents to gather in a single place. The petition was granted in 1795, and the lower piece was incorporated as Danbury in that year. The name was suggested by a settler from Danbury, Connecticut; Connecticut's Danbury was named in 1687 after Danbury, England, the site of an eleventh-century Danish camp.

**Villages and Place Names:** Elmwood, Fords Crossing, Fords Mill, South Danbury, Converse Station



**Population, Year of the First Census Taken:** 165 residents in 1800



**Population Trends:** Population change for Danbury totaled 867 over 53 years, from 435 in 1960 to 1,302 in 2013. The largest decennial percent change was a 39 percent increase between 1970 and 1980, followed by a 30 percent increase over the next decade. The 2013 Census estimate for Danbury was 1,302 residents, which ranked 171st among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

**Population Density and Land Area, 2013 (US Census Bureau):** 34.5 persons per square mile of land area. Danbury contains 37.8 square miles of land area and 0.3 square miles of inland water area.

| MUNICIPAL SERVICES  |   |                                      |              |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Type of Government  |   | Selectmen                            |              |
| Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2014                    |   | \$1,166,380                          |              |
| Budget: School Appropriations, 2014                       |   | \$1,672,106                          |              |
| Zoning Ordinance  |   | 2002/03                              |              |
| Master Plan   |   | 2011                                 |              |
| Capital Improvement Plan                                  |   | Yes                                  |              |
| Industrial Plans Reviewed By                              |   | Planning Board                       |              |
| Boards and Commissions                                    |   |                                      |              |
| Elected:  | Selectmen; Planning; Trust Funds; Checklist; ZBA; Library; Recreation |                                      |              |
| Appointed:  |   |                                      |              |
| Public Library  | George Gamble   |                                      |              |
| EMERGENCY SERVICES  |   |                                      |              |
| Police Department   |   | Part-time                            |              |
| Fire Department   |   | Volunteer                            |              |
| Emergency Medical Service                                 |   | Volunteer                            |              |
| Nearest Hospital(s)                                       |   | Distance                             | Staffed Beds |
| New London Hospital, New London                           |   | 16 miles                             | 25           |
| UTILITIES   |   |                                      |              |
| Electric Supplier   |   | Eversource Energy; NH Electric Coop  |              |
| Natural Gas Supplier                                      |   | None                                 |              |
| Water Supplier  |   | Private wells                        |              |
| Sanitation  |   | Private septic                       |              |
| Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant                      |   | No                                   |              |
| Solid Waste Disposal                                      |   |                                      |              |
| Curbside Trash Pickup                                     |   | None                                 |              |
| Pay-As-You-Throw Program                                  |   | No                                   |              |
| Recycling Program   |   | Voluntary                            |              |
| Telephone Company   |   | Fairpoint                            |              |
| Cellular Telephone Access                                 |   | Yes                                  |              |
| Cable Television Access                                   |   | Limited                              |              |
| Public Access Television Station                          |   | No                                   |              |
| High Speed Internet Service:                              | Business  | Limited                              |              |
|   | Residential   | Limited                              |              |
| PROPERTY TAXES  |   | (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration) |              |
| 2013 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)                 |   | \$23.44                              |              |
| 2013 Equalization Ratio                                   |   | 107.1                                |              |
| 2013 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)            |   | \$24.91                              |              |
| 2013 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type |   |                                      |              |
| Residential Land and Buildings                            |   | 92.5%                                |              |
| Commercial Land and Buildings                             |   | 4.6%                                 |              |
| Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other                  |   | 2.9%                                 |              |
| HOUSING   |   | (ACS 2009-2013)                      |              |
| Total Housing Units                                       |   | 710                                  |              |
| Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached                 |   | 547                                  |              |
| Units in Multiple-Family Structures:                      |   |                                      |              |
| Two to Four Units in Structure                            |   | 39                                   |              |
| Five or More Units in Structure                           |   | 0                                    |              |
| Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units                      |   | 124                                  |              |

| <b>DEMOGRAPHICS</b> (US Census Bureau)                         |               |                   |
|--|---------------|-------------------|
| Total Population   | Community     | County            |
| 2013   | <b>1,302</b>  | <b>146,807</b>    |
| 2010   | <b>1,164</b>  | <b>146,445</b>    |
| 2000   | <b>1,073</b>  | <b>136,716</b>    |
| 1990   | <b>884</b>    | <b>120,618</b>    |
| 1980   | <b>680</b>    | <b>98,302</b>     |
| 1970   | <b>489</b>    | <b>80,925</b>     |
| <b>Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2009-2013</b> |               |                   |
| Population by Gender   |               |                   |
| Male   | <b>648</b>    | Female <b>654</b> |
| Population by Age Group  |               |                   |
| Under age 5  |               | <b>54</b>         |
| Age 5 to 19  |               | <b>265</b>        |
| Age 20 to 34   |               | <b>229</b>        |
| Age 35 to 54   |               | <b>446</b>        |
| Age 55 to 64   |               | <b>147</b>        |
| Age 65 and over  |               | <b>161</b>        |
| Median Age   |               | <b>42.4 years</b> |
| Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over           |               |                   |
| High school graduate or higher                                 |               | <b>83.4%</b>      |
| Bachelor's degree or higher                                    |               | <b>13.8%</b>      |
| <b>INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$</b> (ACS 2009-2013)           |               |                   |
| Per capita income  |               | <b>\$23,082</b>   |
| Median family income   |               | <b>\$60,192</b>   |
| Median household income  |               | <b>\$49,922</b>   |
| Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers                 |               |                   |
| Male   |               | <b>\$41,983</b>   |
| Female   |               | <b>\$30,144</b>   |
| Individuals below the poverty level                            |               | <b>12.2%</b>      |
| <b>LABOR FORCE</b> (NHES – ELMI)                               |               |                   |
| Annual Average   | 2003          | 2013              |
| Civilian labor force   | <b>608</b>    | <b>596</b>        |
| Employed   | <b>581</b>    | <b>568</b>        |
| Unemployed   | <b>27</b>     | <b>28</b>         |
| Unemployment rate  | <b>4.4%</b>   | <b>4.7%</b>       |
| <b>EMPLOYMENT &amp; WAGES</b> (NHES – ELMI)                    |               |                   |
| Annual Average Covered Employment                              | 2003          | 2013              |
| Goods Producing Industries                                     |               |                   |
| Average Employment   | <b>26</b>     | <b>32</b>         |
| Average Weekly Wage  | <b>\$ 620</b> | <b>\$ 897</b>     |
| Service Providing Industries                                   |               |                   |
| Average Employment   | <b>104</b>    | <b>96</b>         |
| Average Weekly Wage  | <b>\$ 396</b> | <b>\$ 395</b>     |
| Total Private Industry   |               |                   |
| Average Employment   | <b>130</b>    | <b>128</b>        |
| Average Weekly Wage  | <b>\$ 440</b> | <b>\$ 521</b>     |
| Government (Federal, State, and Local)                         |               |                   |
| Average Employment   | <b>38</b>     | <b>32</b>         |
| Average Weekly Wage  | <b>\$ 437</b> | <b>\$ 498</b>     |
| Total, Private Industry plus Government                        |               |                   |
| Average Employment   | <b>168</b>    | <b>160</b>        |
| Average Weekly Wage  | <b>\$ 440</b> | <b>\$ 516</b>     |

**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE**

|  |   |   |             |                        |
|--|---|---|-------------|------------------------|
| Schools students attend:   | <b>Grades K-12 are part of Newfound Area (Alexandria, Bridgewater, Bristol, Danbury, Groton, Hebron, New Hampton)</b> |   |             | District: <b>SAU 4</b> |
| Career Technology Center(s):   | <b>Plymouth Applied Technology Center</b>   |   |             | Region: <b>5</b>       |
| Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)                            | Elementary  | Middle/Junior High                                  | High School | Private/Parochial      |
| Number of Schools  | <b>1</b>  |   |             |                        |
| Grade Levels   | <b>K 1-5</b>  |   |             |                        |
| Total Enrollment   | <b>52</b>   |   |             |                        |
| Nearest Community College: <b>Lakes Region; NHTI-Concord</b>                 |   |   |             |                        |
| Nearest Colleges or Universities: <b>Colby-Sawyer</b>                        |   |   |             |                        |
| 2014 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing) |   | Total Facilities: <b>0</b> Total Capacity: <b>0</b> |             |                        |

| <b>LARGEST BUSINESSES</b> | <b>PRODUCT/SERVICE</b>    | <b>EMPLOYEES</b> | <b>ESTABLISHED</b> |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| William Wallace Prefab    | Manufactured house panels | 32               | 2002               |
| Ragged Mountain Resort    | Ski area, golf course     | 20               | 1964               |
| Danbury Country Store     | Country store             | 11               | 2013               |
| Dick's Village Store      | Convenience store         | 1                |                    |

**TRANSPORTATION** (*distances estimated from city/town hall*)

|  |                      |                          |
|--|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Road Access                                  | US Routes            | <b>4</b>                 |
|  | State Routes         | <b>104</b>               |
| Nearest Interstate, Exit                     | <b>I-93, Exit 23</b> |                          |
|  | Distance             | <b>15 miles</b>          |
| Railroad                                     |                      | <b>No</b>                |
| Public Transportation                        |                      | <b>No</b>                |
| Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation |                      |                          |
| <b>Newfound Valley, Bristol</b>              | Runway               | <b>1,900 ft. asphalt</b> |
| Lighted? <b>No</b>                           | Navigation Aids?     | <b>No</b>                |
| Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service       |                      |                          |
| <b>Lebanon Municipal</b>                     | Distance             | <b>27 miles</b>          |
| Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport |                      | <b>1</b>                 |
| Driving distance to select cities:           |                      |                          |
| Manchester, NH                               |                      | <b>61 miles</b>          |
| Portland, Maine                              |                      | <b>103 miles</b>         |
| Boston, Mass.                                |                      | <b>111 miles</b>         |
| New York City, NY                            |                      | <b>297 miles</b>         |
| Montreal, Quebec                             |                      | <b>216 miles</b>         |

**COMMUTING TO WORK** (*ACS 2009-2013*)

|                            |                     |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Workers 16 years and over  |                     |
| Drove alone, car/truck/van | <b>87.7%</b>        |
| Carpooled, car/truck/van   | <b>5.6%</b>         |
| Public transportation      | <b>1.4%</b>         |
| Walked                     | <b>0.8%</b>         |
| Other means                | <b>0.0%</b>         |
| Worked at home             | <b>4.6%</b>         |
| Mean Travel Time to Work   | <b>21.2 minutes</b> |

**Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2009-2013**

|                                   |             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Working in community of residence | <b>16.5</b> |
| Commuting to another NH community | <b>70.7</b> |
| Commuting out-of-state            | <b>12.8</b> |

**RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS**

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <b>X</b>   | Municipal Parks                         |
|  | YMCA/YWCA                               |
|  | Boys Club/Girls Club                    |
| <b>X</b>   | Golf Courses                            |
|  | Swimming: Indoor Facility               |
|  | Swimming: Outdoor Facility              |
|  | Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility          |
|  | Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility         |
|  | Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility       |
|  | Bowling Facilities                      |
| <b>X</b>   | Museums                                 |
|  | Cinemas                                 |
|  | Performing Arts Facilities              |
|  | Tourist Attractions                     |
| <b>X</b>   | Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H) |
|  | Youth Sports: Baseball                  |
|  | Youth Sports: Soccer                    |
|  | Youth Sports: Football                  |
|  | Youth Sports: Basketball                |
|  | Youth Sports: Hockey                    |
|  | Campgrounds                             |
| <b>X</b>   | Fishing/Hunting                         |
|  | Boating/Marinas                         |
| <b>X</b>   | Snowmobile Trails                       |
| <b>X</b>   | Bicycle Trails                          |
| <b>X</b>   | Cross Country Skiing                    |
|  | Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area     |
|  | Overnight or Day Camps                  |
| Nearest Ski Area(s): <b>Ragged Mountain</b>  |   |
| Other: <b>Community Center; Independence Park; NH Railtrail; Danbury North Road Schoolhouse Museum</b> |   |